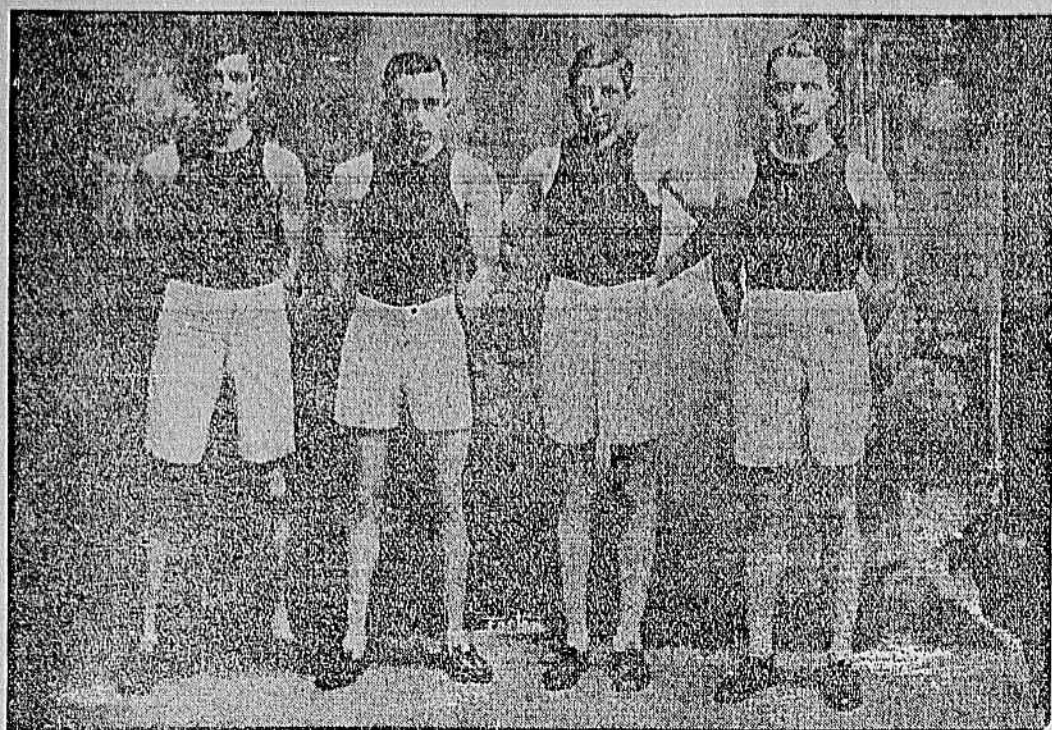


McGUIRE'S TRACK-TEAM IN WASHINGTON.



McGuire's School track-team won the championship for preparatory schools in Richmond at the indoor meet held in this city on January 26th. This team has been in active training since the Richmond meet, and yesterday went to Washington, where it took part in the Federal indoor meet held in that city last night.

men of the world, and an admitted right to the title, "The Animal King." His mother was Emily Wombwell, and his grandfather, who was the original showman of the family, made his start as a boy in London in 1805. Young Wombwell happened to be on the Lincolnshire dock one day when an East Indian came in. The captain had a box of constrictors, which he was willing to sell for a small sum. The boy bought it and exhibited it around London. This was the beginning of the Wombwell menageries, which, at the death of its founder, a number of years later, had grown to be the largest zoological collection traveling.

Left to His Children.

The menageries were left to the three children—Emma, the mother of F. C. Bostock, Harriet, and Charles, later knighted by Queen Victoria. The two girls each married—Emma, a Mr. Bostock, and Harriet, a Mr. Edmunds. The show was then divided, one-half traveling as the Bostock and Wombwell menagerie, and the other as the Edmunds Royal Windsor Castle menagerie, getting the title from the fact that it once showed before royalty at the castle.

The breed shows are practically unknown in the British Isles, and it is customary, even to this day, for the largest to travel in caravans. It took over three hundred horses and a large number of wagons to transport the Bostock and Wombwell menagerie, and its advent into any town meant the practical suspension of business and a general holiday.

Not for the Church.

The parents of the Animal King had no intention that their son should follow the show business. They desired him to be a clergyman, and at an early age placed him in school at Eton College, near the town of Norwich.

Brought up from earliest childhood with wild beasts for playmates, the embryo dominion had the love for animals engrained in his being, and he turned his dormitory at school into a veritable menagerie. The upshot, after a while, was that he was given the choice of either packing off his animals and snakes or going himself.

Young Bostock chose the latter, and joined the show. The lion tamer of the aggregation at that time was a big Moor, who was the feature of the show. Shortly after the return of young Bostock the tamer got mad and beat the lion. The boy recognized that the animal had been wrongly handled, and that it would perform better under kind treatment than under a club. Going to his father, he asked to be allowed to take the place of the brutal tamer. "The lion knows me, and will perform all right," he said. His father consented. He succeeded with the lion, and the Moor, and was made his manager and placed on salary. Thus, at the age of fourteen, the boy found himself a lion tamer of a large show. Three years later, at his request, his parents fitted him out with a modest but well stocked caravan of five wagons.

Came to America.

Mr. Bostock first came to this country to the World's Fair, in Chicago, in 1893, with the boxing kangaroo, Big Frank, with which he played the circuit of the vaudeville shows. He then introduced the famous untamable, man-killing lion Wallace, and followed this venture by bringing a small collection of wild animals to the United States. The exhibition from that has grown to the present gigantic Bostock enterprise, with not only the immense aggregation here, but wild animal groups and troupes in practically every capital and large city in Europe.

Mr. Bostock is not only a show manager. He is an animal trainer, and deserves his title, "The Animal King," quite as much from the fact that he is a trainer of beasts. He has never yet allowed a man or woman trainer to go into a den of wild animals whose place he was not perfectly competent and willing to fill at any time.

Industry and integrity are the keynotes of Mr. Bostock's character, and it is on these that the success of his enterprises have been built. The Animal King is a very busy man; yet all who meet him never fail to be impressed by his uniform courtesy and gentleness. He is well-read, both in the classics and current reading. He also speaks four or five different languages, and never forgets the fact that money speaks too ill.

Cornell Baseball Schedule.

ITHACA, N. Y., February 23.—The Cornell baseball schedule shows the following games:

March 23—George Washington, at Washington.

March 25—A. and M. College, at Raleigh.

March 26—Trinity, at Durham.

March 27—Trinity, at Durham.

March 28—North Carolina, at Chapel Hill.

March 29—Virginia, at Charlottesville.

March 30—Annapolis, at Annapolis.

April 2—Lafayette, at Ithaca.

May 1—Pennsylvania State, at Ithaca.

May 2—Zwickell, at Ithaca.

May 3—Pennsylvania, at Philadelphia.

May 20—Pennsylvania, at Ithaca.

FORSYTH. MEEK. MILLER.

Larry Lajoie predicts the most brilliant year in the history of the American league. "There will be no weak clubs to climb over," he says. "Cantillon, who will manage Washington, is pretty foxy; Jennings should straighten out the tangle of Detroit, and Boston is due to come back. With these three 1936 trailers playing ball, the hardest battle on record is ahead."

Jimmy Sebring has made up his mind that the national commission will not renege him, and has signed a contract with the American League of the Tri-State League, where he played last year. Sebring received a flattering offer from the Rutland, Vt., Independent team, but preferred to remain in his home town.

Giants will limber their fingers marking programs at the races in Los Angeles. McGraw will retain Alex. Smith, because he is invaluable in getting line information.

Wallace Schultz, captain of the Morcorburg (Pa.) Academy baseball team, has refused an offer to join the Boston Nationals. He is a pitcher and made such a good record last year he attracted the attention of Manager Tenney.

Tim Jordan, Brooklyn's first baseman, now says that he does not demand a

KESWICK HOUNDS

MEET AT CASTLIA

A Good Field Followed Over Stiff

Country—Mr. Joslin Entertains Riders

KESWICK, VA., February 23.—Hounds were thrown in to-day at "Castalia" gate, and from there the run went on to "Clover Hill," and on to "Cloverfields," and over an in and out to "Blackmoor," and to the break at the schoolhouse. Hounds were thrown in again at "Mountain View," back of "Cloverfields," and ran down over the plank fences to the Gordonsville road to the finish.

Those following the hounds were Julian Morris, M. F. H., on Brandon; Dr. Thurman, first whip, on Thunderbolt; E. H. Joslin, second whip, on Easter; Miss Mabel Flynn, of Warrenton, Va., on Kaswick; Mrs. E. H. Joslin, on Princess; Mrs. Murray Book on Granite; John A. Murphy, of Ireland, on Skyrocket; Arthur White, Jr., on Knockout; Harry Jackson on Jack; and Mr. Redskin, Robert Jackson on Miles English; John Sawyer on Jumping Jack.

After the run Mrs. Joslin served a delightful repast, which was highly enjoyed by all.

The run was especially good, there being seven stiff plank fences, besides many worm fences and ditches.

European Racing Dates for 1937.

Lincolnshire handicap, one mile, March 13.

Liverpool grand national, 4 miles 56 yards, March 22.

Great Metropolitan, two miles and a quarter, April 25.

Two thousand guineas, one mile, May 1.

One thousand guineas, one mile, May 2.

Chester cup, two miles and a quarter, May 8.

Kempston Park, great jubilee, one mile and a quarter, May 11.

Manchester cup, one mile and a half, May 21.

Epsom Derby, one mile and a half, June 5.

The Oaks, one mile and a half, June 7.

Grand Prix de Paris, one mile and seven-eighths, June 15.

Liverpool cup, one mile and three-quarters, July 26.

Goodwood cup, two miles, August 1.

The St. Leger, one mile six furlongs and 121 yards, September 11.

Dunstable cup, about two miles, September 12.

Jockey Club stakes, one mile and three-quarters, October 3.

The Cazewitch, two miles and a quarter, October 16.

The Cambridgehire, one mile and an eighth, October 29.

Dewhurst plate, seven furlongs, October 31.

Christie to Drive in Grand Prix

NEW YORK, February 23.—Walter Christie has announced his intention of competing in the famous road race of France, the Grand Prix. His entry has already been forwarded to the Automobile Club of France.

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INFERIOR RACERS NOW HOLD RECORDS

Mamie Algor and Lucretia Borgia Will Not Greatly Adorn Future Turf History.

TEMPERAMENT IS NECESSARY

High-Class Horses Cannot Withstand Injury Be Restrained to Run in Long Races.

NEW YORK, February 23.—It is not so many years ago that the making of a new three-mile record would have aroused a furor among racing devotees, but it is safe to say that the name of Mamie Algor, which more than three miles in 6:15 at City Park, New Orleans, on Saturday, will not be handed down to an admiring posterity as that of a great performance. Records, especially over a distance of ground, are more often achieved by second- and third-raters than formerly, when to be a record-breaker usually meant that the horse which did it was the champion of his day.

Mamie Algor is simply a "rater," or plodder, as in fact are all four of the racers which ran in the three-mile race. Their temperaments are such that it is no great effort for them to run three or four miles at a steady pace, which finally lands them within the record. It is exceptional to find a field of raters of the class of Mamie Algor, Alma Dufour, Canby and others which take part in long races, but which are usually easily outrun in a race where speed counts. To achieve new marks, therefore, at three and four miles racers of phlegmatic temperament are best with which to make experiments.

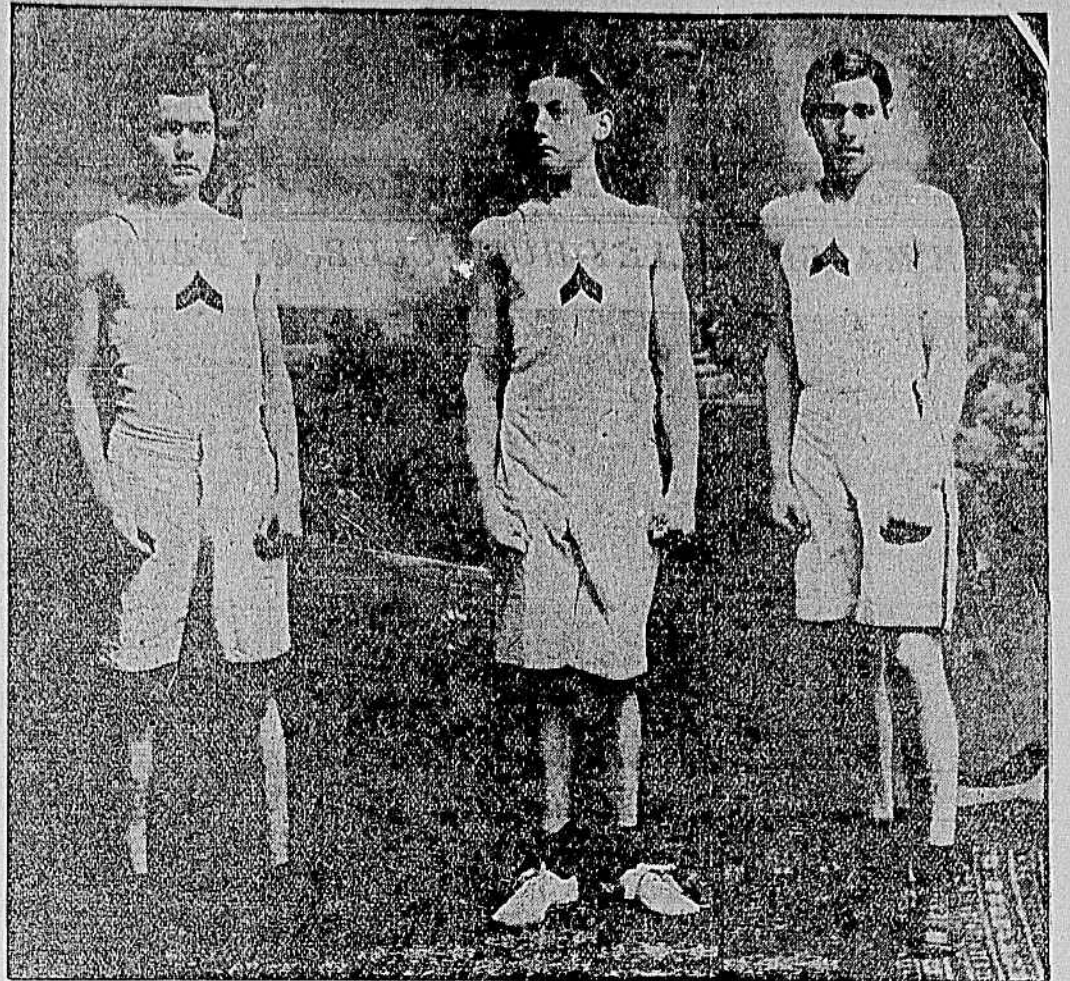
High-Strung Horses Not Stayers.

Some horses are so high strung and difficult to restrain that it is cruel to run them in long races. So notable a performer as Cleora, even though he won the Derby, failed to run at all creditably when the distance was extended to the extra mile of the Ascot Cup distance in the following year. He was a bad third to



JACK MARTIN, Frank Farrell's jockey, who has been set down for a suspicious ride on Orly II., at New Orleans.

JUNIOR HOWITZERS CHOOSE RELAY TEAM.



The Junior Howitzers' relay team will compete in the indoor meet to be held in the Seventeenth Regiment Armory early in March. The Junior Howitzers is a military organization composed of young boys, who must be five feet in height, however, before they can become members. This team is made up of four stalwart youths, who give good promise of doing well in the meet for which they have made preparations.

Betty Polly and Achilles (the latter a three-year-old), although only two months before this Cleora had won in a canter at a mile and half with 140 pounds up. The Ascot Cup in which he was beaten was run in the best time on record for the race, however, yet the Derby-winner of the year before was a bad third in it. No doubt he is not a "rater," and the turf critics seemed to think that he was completely out of his element as a long-distance runner. The experiment was a costly one to Lord Rosebery, his owner, however.

The present holder of the record in America at four miles is Lucretia Borgia, which mare, then four years old, was required to carry only eighty-five pounds in her task. She ran the four miles in 7:11, or at the rate of each mile in about 1:47 3/4. No one thinks that Lucretia Borgia is a champion, however. Up to the time that Mamie Algor broke the record at three miles it was held by Elie, a racer practically new unknown, though it is less than two years ago that the record, 7:22, was made.

In Australia, where long-distance racing is the rule and not the exception and where the best horses in training have carried sometimes as much as 142 pounds in handicaps, and have won in fast time in long races, a record under such circumstances means something, but it is usually done by a champion.

In America it meant something else when in the old days of the turf Springfield and Brookings made a dead heat for the Saratoga Cup of 1877, running two and a quarter miles in 2:56 3/4, a race which was not equalled for many years afterward. These two really great horses of their day will live in memory when the Mamie Algora and Lucretia Borgia of the turf are relegated to the obscurity in which fourth-rate performers belong.

Public Wants Long Races, However.

The demand for long-distance racing may be a natural one and it may gratify the public to see it, but each time a three or four-mile race is run nowadays it is really a contest between horses which have no speed—they are simply qualified by nature for such unimposing and unmeaning performances. Men with proper pride in their horses will not risk the humiliation of having really high-class ones beaten in these races by animals far inferior, but better qualified to be rated; hence the long races are not doing much, as at present conducted, to prove

that the breed is really being improved, unless we gather by deduction that if Mamie Algor can beat a three-mile record a horse like Syonby might have reduced it many seconds if Mr. Keene had required his great racer to be trained for such an unnecessary task.

A BIG OUTDOOR MEET OF QUAKERS

More Than 1,400 Athletes Will Take Part in Games at Franklin Field.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Feb. 23.—More than 1,400 athletes will take part in the thirteenth annual relay carnival to be held at Franklin Field, Philadelphia, under the auspices of the University of Pennsylvania on April 27. This record-breaking list will come from practically every university, college, and preparatory school east of the Mississippi River, with a scattering of men from beyond that point and Canada. The Eastern universities will send a strong representation. The teams will come from Yale, Princeton, Cornell, Dartmouth, Columbia and Syracuse, Harvard is doubtful. The recent athletic unpleasantness with Pennsylvania is not forgotten at either institution, and it is questionable whether the Crimson runners will compete. The West will undoubtedly have more than its usual large number of competitors.

This year the University of Michigan will once more head the Western delegation, and the general expectation in the West is that Michigan will carry off its fifth championship in the four-mile relay event. In addition to Michigan the Westerners will be represented by Chicago, Wisconsin, and individual athletes from several of the Western schools. The Southern representatives will include teams from Georgetown, Virginia, North Carolina, as well as other strong institutions. The events of the programme will be the one, two and four mile relays for the intercollegiate championship of the United States. In each of these races the fight promises to be more exciting than ever, and several new records are looked for. In the four-mile event the Michigan team, which made a world's record of 8:40, is counted on to cut the record still lower. The two-mile race, Yale, with Parsons in condition, thinks it has a team which may conquer everything in sight and lower the present record of 8:41 1/2, held by the University of Pennsylvania. Last year Dartmouth won the event somewhat easily, and as the New Hampshire collegians have all their veterans back, they are certain to give Yale a hard race.

The one-mile relay is conceded to Pennsylvania. The Red and Blue won the race last year easily. Every member of the quartet is available, and Taylor, the intercollegiate quarter-mile champion, with a record of 0:49-1/5, is eligible and running in the best form. The special events promise to afford exciting contests. There will be the 100 yard dash, 150 yard hurdle, broad jump, high jump, pole vault, discus throw, hammer throw, and shot put. For them the best men not entered in the relay races will be on hand. The total number of competitors will run close to 1,500, the largest number ever attended a track meet in this country or abroad.

Baseball Notes.

When Clark Griffith was asked what he knew about Arthur (Doc) Hildebrand, the former Princeton twirler he's trying to land for the Yankees, Griffith said: "Only I hear he's good, and I don't want him to get out of the American League without a good tryout. That's the reason we won't let Washington sell him to Pittsburgh. He may be a lemon, but he'll get a trial before he goes."

Duffy Laufer, formerly of the Giants, will coach the Williams College baseball team the coming season. He will take charge of the candidates on March 30. Practice in the cage was begun a few days ago.

Mike Donlin intends to play in vaudeville next winter with his second wife, Mabel, because he has often been chased by baseball fans on alien fields.

Harry Tathill couldn't train Young Corbett into better shape for Murphy, nor Lewis for Melody. Can he do better for the Giants?—New York Mail.

Owner Doocy, of Boston, offered \$25,000 to Chicago for Brown and Kling. Boston would like to see them. Doocy gave up \$5,000 for a player he could get.

WASHINGTON MEET.

An account of the Washington track meet held last night will be found on page 7 of the general news section.

MR. JENNIFER HAS TWO ACCIDENTS

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Those at the reception were Mr. and Mrs. E. T. D. Myers, Mr. and Mrs. St. George Bryan, Mr. and Mrs. George Cole Scott, Mr. and Mrs. P. D. Williams, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Ripley, Mrs. Nelson, Misses Frances Scott, Lillian Blinford, Caroline Armstrong, Page Royall, Susie Page, of Clarke county; Julia Little, of New York, and Miss McCullough, and Messrs. George W. Stevens, Coleman Wortham, Otto Kean, Raleigh Forbes, T. B. Blankenship, H. H. Carrington, Thomas Brockborough, Dr. J. A. White and Dr. C. W. P. Brock.

Ashland Baseball.

Ashland, Va., February 23, 1937.

Editor of The Times-Dispatch:

Sir.—The Ashland baseball team will report for practice next Saturday, March 2d. There will be many applicants for the team, and the chances are for a fast team. The pitchers, Leake and Trevillian, have been doing light work for several days. Ashland and Randolph Macon play a series of three games, commencing March 8th. These games will be of much interest, as they have always been close and exciting, and only for the last few years have the local boys been able to defeat the college line.

The men to compose the Ashland team are most all experienced men and have been seen in fast company around Richmond. Bridges, who will be at second base, was a star in that position on the Richmond team in the Twin-City League two years ago. Swift played in the same league with Manchester for two years, covering third and second bases, respectively. Dr. Jordan has been playing ball for a number of years, and was the best catcher that Randolph-Macon ever turned out. Since leaving college he has been playing in the outfield and is a star in this position. He is a very heavy man, but fast on his feet and can get down to the base. He will cover first base, is more than six feet tall and has a good reach. His fielding last year was excellent, but rather weak at the bat. With a little more experience he will make a valuable man. Leake and Trevillian, the pitchers, are two well known to need any introduction.

Riverside Hunt.

PETERSBURG, VA., February 23.—There was no hunt with the Riverside hounds this afternoon, on account of bad weather.

Warrenton Hunt.

WARRENTON, VA., February 23.—There is nothing doing this week in hunting. Everything is frozen up here, and the hounds cannot go out.

ROWING RACES AT JAMESTOWN

(Continued from First Page.)

is pushing it to what must be a successful conclusion. That the "Varsity" regattas are to be held means that generations of college men are going to see the Jamestown Exposition.

Boat houses are being erected by the exposition company, and the oarsmen can find the best accommodations on the grounds. The Inside Inn is one of the finest shore hosteleries on the coast. The oarsmen will be one of the attractions of the exposition. One thousand six hundred feet long, its two arms, 800 feet apart, are connected at the outer end, forming a basin, the walk-around which will be 2,500 feet. From this pier, which will be the naval landing, visitors may also see the boat races.

The committee from the National Association while in Norfolk were cared for by the Portsmouth and the Elizabeth River Boat Clubs.

The canoe trail, several miles long; the Japanese and Philippine reservations, and the Indian and Wild West Shows, the reproduction of "Old Jamestown," the Battle of the Monitor and Merrimack, reproduced on Hampton Roads, under the direction of the navy; the countless Congresses, and finally the "Varsity" will make Jamestown-by that name the exposition on Sewall's Point, some fifty miles from Jamestown proper, the island where once stood the little village of the first settlers—a memorable year to the oarsmen who have their regattas this year in Virginia waters.

How the Team Trains at "Pennsy."



Pennell working at new device to develop batting eye

PENN BASEBALL CANDIDATES AT WORK IN CAGE. Until the weather permits practice on the field, the Red and Blue nine will get in shape for the intercollegiate season indoors. Every day candidates are seen in the cage, batting, fielding or throwing the ball. Among the most active in the practice are Pennell and Corkran. Pennell bails fair to be Penn's malnasty in the box. He is seen in the picture, preparing to deliver a speedy curve. Corkran is shown batting the ball around the cage.